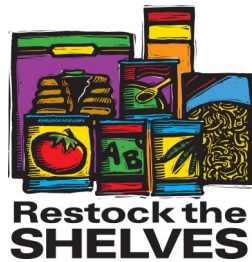


UPS Back Pack Program

Don't forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School Backpack Program with a specific kind of food. For the month of March the food item is **microwave popcorn**.



Baby Shower

Saturday March 24 at 1:00 pm there will be a baby shower for Michael & Tessa Robinette at the John Fox, Jr. Museum. Everyone is invited as Michael & Tessa prepare to receive their little girl. They are registered at Amazon.com. Please text or call (276) 219-4155 to R.S.V.P.

VBS Egg Fundraiser

It is that time of year again! Be sure to get your orders in for the peanut butter and coconut chocolate covered Easter eggs. Eggs are \$5.00 each and come in a plastic container that make them great to give as gifts. Christy Smith and Ashley Turner (and anyone else who would like to help) will be making the eggs Friday March 23 from 4 pm until whenever and Saturday March 24 from 9 am until approximately 3 pm. All eggs will be available for pickup Sunday March 25.

Easter Egg Hunt

The church will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday March 25. The hunt will begin at 2 pm and there will be games and refreshments until 3:30 pm. Please be sure to invite families within in the community to come and join in the festivities. Christy Smith and the youth are coordinating this event and are requesting donations of the plastic eggs that will be hidden and candy to go in the eggs. For more information, please contact Christy.

Pop Up Bakery

Katie Shupe will be hosting a pop up bakery on Saturday March 31 from 2 pm until 5 pm. There will be many delicious treats to choose from and everything is packaged to make gift giving easy. Please mark you calendars to stop by and see what yummy things Katie has made for the Easter season.

Here is the Union Primary School Food List for 2018:

Jan —Pop Tarts	Feb —Nabs/Chips	Mar —Microwave Popcorn
Apr —Ramen Noodles	May —Chef Boy Ardee	Jun —Granola Bars/Raisins
Jul —Single Serve Fruit	Aug —Breakfast Cereal	Sep —Macaroni
Oct —Canned Soup	Nov —Juice Boxes	Dec —Canned Meat

Peanut Butter — May & November

Please keep this list in a handy place and buy these items for the months they are listed. If an item is coming up soon and its on sale, that is a good time to buy some. Then just hang on to them and bring them to the church during the correct month.

LENTEN *Schedule*

March 22—Trinity United Methodist Church

Speaker—Rev. Terry Goodman

Music—Voices of Hope

March 29—Heritage Church of God

Speaker—Rev. Brad Stapleton

Music—Rita Hinkley & Friends

Each of these services begins at 12 noon and will be followed by a light lunch. Persons who need to return to work will go first in the refreshment line. An offering plate will be provided near the door to receive support for the Food Bank.

Our church is hosting the Lenten service on **March 22**. If you would like to help with the refreshments following the service, please contact the church office. This will be a soup and sandwich meal. We will need help with soups, sandwiches, setup, and cleanup.

Memorials were given in memory of:

Charles Galyean

James C. Myers

Memorials were given by:

Rev. Larry & Loretta Best

Ruben & Nancy Allman

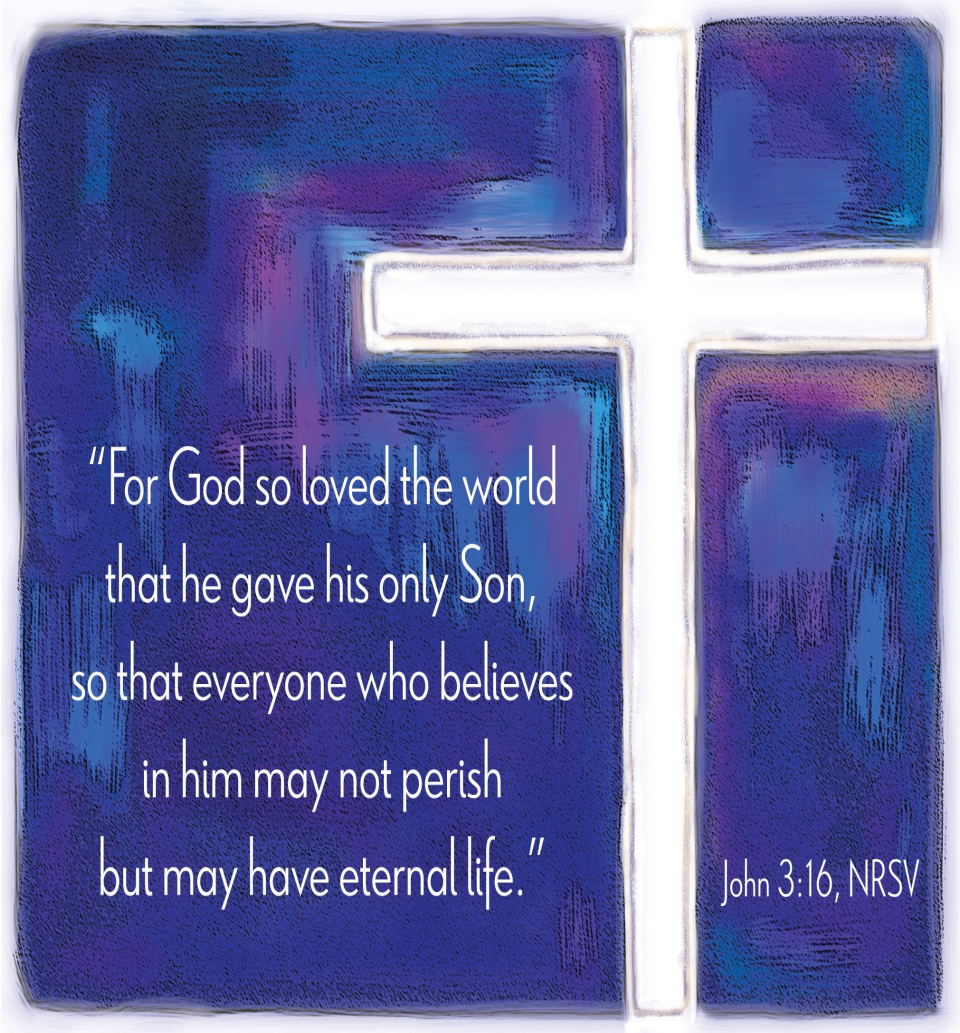
Kenneth & Martha Spurlock

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The Trinity Companion

Sunday March 18, 2018



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Worship begins at 11:00 am

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Fifth Sunday During Lent

Greeters: Jack Williams and Ruben Allman

Announcements—Bill Cole

Prelude: “Ode to Joy”

Lighting of the Candles

Opening Hymn: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” No. 298

Prayer for Illumination

Mighty is our chorus, mightier still your love reigning over us. May the words we now receive from the Scriptures extend your reign in our lives, moving us with all creation to the fullness of the salvation you have for us now and in the age to come. Amen.

Word and Response

Narrator: [Jesus said to Nicodemus...]

Jesus: Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in wilderness, so also must the Son of Humankind be lifted up, so that everyone putting their trust in him would have eternal life.”

Narrator: For God so loved the world that God gave the only-begotten son, so that everyone putting their trust in him would not be destroyed, but have eternal life. For God did not send the son into the world to put the world on trial, but so the world would be saved through him. Whoever puts their trust in him is not judged. But whoever isn’t placing their trust [in him] has been put on trial already because they have not put their trust in the name of the only-begotten son of God.

Sermon “Recovery” - Pastor Terry Goodman

A Time for Morning Prayer... (You will be given an opportunity to lift up joys, concerns, and thanksgivings.)

We are still in the wilderness. We are learning the way, and getting better at following. So now we’re even more aware of how much more we have to learn, and how much farther we have to travel to keep up, and keep keeping up, with where Jesus leads.

And so we pray: Forgive us where we go astray, and keep us on the path of life.

Because we know or know of people still kept in poverty or slavery, some in fear from abusers, terrorists, and oppressors, some facing addiction, and some targeted for unjust treatment because of who they are; and we now see how our own actions or inaction leave things as they are, or make them worse;

Forgive us where we go astray, and keep us on the path of life.

With those among us and those around us who are leaders in religious, political, economic, and social life; with our families, friends, and neighbors;

and with all who sustain and protect our lives as military, civilian workers, and first responders;

Forgive us where we go astray, and keep us on the path of life.

With all who need your healing power, and all who offer healing through their skill and presence;

Forgive us where we go astray, and keep us on the path of life.

With all creatures with whom we share this planet, those who sustain our lives, and those who threaten us, those whose lives we sustain, and those whose lives we threaten;

Forgive us where we go astray, and keep us on the path of life.

With Jesus and all of his disciples from generation to generation, we now pray:

The Lord’s Prayer (as found at No. 895)

Receive the prayers of your people, most merciful God. In your compassion, forgive our sins, encourage us in the work you are already doing to free us, and keep us faithful to our journey’s end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silence

Pastor: In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven. People: In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven. All: Glory to God! Amen!

Children’s Message: Mary Beth Allen

The Presentation of Our Tithes and God’s Offerings Ushers: Patty Robbins, Nancy Allman, Lana Prater, Donna Mahan Offertory Music: “We Are Climbing Jacob’s Ladder” - An African American Spiritual arranged by Richard Walters

* Doxology (as found at No. 95)

Choral Anthem: “O Thou In Whose Presence”

Closing Hymn: “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” No. 117

Sending Forth... We’re still in the wilderness. But we’re in recovery. We know we’re still broken, but we also know we’re getting better, more loving, more just, more like Jesus.

Jesus is in us. The Spirit is moving among us and driving us out of here to keep living in the recovery God is working among us.

Go in the peace and restoring power of our Triune God. Amen.

Postlude: “My Life Flows On”

* Indicates that you may stand, as you are able CCLI #1083130

Easter Cantata “Then Came Sunday” March 25 at 11:00 am



Van Drivers and Riders 4—Christy Smith,Martha Spurlock 11—Christy Smith, Diane Botts 18—Kenny & Martha Spurlock 25—Christy Smith, Donna Mahan

Money Counters 4—Christy Smith, Diane Botts 11—Bill Cole, Ashley Turner 18—Pat Bowden, Kim Parsons 25—Kenny & Martha Spurlock

Children’s Message 4—Diane Botts 11—Andrew Holyfield 18—Mary Beth Allen 25—Christy Smith

Greeters Jack Williams Ruben Allman

Announcements Bill Cole

Ushers Patty Robbins, Nancy Allman, Christy Smith, Donna Mahan

For Those with Cancer: Robin (Rita Nash’s Daughter); Denise Qualls; Kathy Hirsch (Larry & Teddy Bland’s daughter); David Burke (Bubba Burke’s Dad); Karrie Compton (Randy & Phyllis Compton’s daughter); Zack Carter; Carey Mills; Steve Clark; Robert Holbrook; Kamyrn (Patsy Mutter’s great granddaughter’s sister); Karen Owens; Wilma Mills Facing/Recovering from Surgery/Hospital Stay Helen Cochran; Mary Warner; T.R. Davidson; Melanie Sturgill; Mark Nickels; Ronnie Phillips (Patty Robbins’ brother); Elizabeth White; Karen West; Ben Allen; Dell Williams; Peggy Beverly; Marjorie Blevins; Judy Cole

Non-Specific Prayers for: Geneva Allen; Jennie Shupe; Matt Carroll; Bill & Jean Hendrick; Peggy Bates; Marion Kocher; Bob Horne; Beth & John Hagan; Debbie Goodman; Sarah Shores; Elmer Lowe; Louise Wright; Joyce Ann Harver; Jim Cooper

- Pray for our Pastor and the Leaders of our church.
- Pray for the Leaders of the United Methodist Church.

- Pray for those in the Church in need.

If you know that someone on the prayer list has passed away, please contact the church office.